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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

This application is related to co-pending U.S. utility application No. 10/824,162 [[_____] (Attorney Docket reference MSFTP623US)] filed on April [[__]] 14, 2004, entitled UNILATERAL SESSION KEY SHIFTING, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 10 with the following amended paragraph:

In one example, each endpoint of a conversation generates a unique dialog session key 190 used in encrypting messages originating from that endpoint to the other endpoint. This allows the "per dialog" dialog session key 190 to be updated by each endpoint independently without consulting with the other endpoint, for example, as discussed in greater detail in co-pending U.S. utility application No. 10/824,162 [[_____] (Attorney docket reference MSFTP623(US))], filed on April [[__]]14, 2004 and entitled "UNILATERAL SESSION KEY SHIFTING".